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This bulletin contains particulars of the numbers of employed wage and salary earners (referred to in the tables as "employees"), job vacancies registered and unemployed persons.

Seasonally adjusted statistics appear in Tables 1, 3 and 9-12. The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1976 (Reference No. 1.10) to be issued shortly.

Preliminary estimates of employees are published each month in *Employed Wage and Salary Earners : Preliminary* (Reference No. 6.12).

Revision of series. The estimates of employed wage and salary earners shown in this bulletin are based on benchmarks derived from the 1971 population census and other sources (see paragraph 7, page 2). Detailed estimates for the period June 1971 to June 1975 will be published in a special bulletin : *Employed Wage and Salary Earners, June 1971 to June 1975* (Reference No. 6.23), to be issued shortly.

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I. EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS

The figures in this section generally relate only to civilian wage and salary earners, not the total labour force : they therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons, unpaid helpers and the unemployed. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are wage and salary earners in agriculture and private households employing staff. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as "employees". Defence forces are included in Table 1.

2. The data needed to derive the estimates for periods subsequent to the benchmark date (June 1971) are obtained from three main sources, namely, (a) current payroll tax returns; (b) current returns from government bodies; and (c) some other current returns of employment (e.g. for hospitals); the balance, i.e. unrecorded private employment, is estimated. At June 1971 recorded employment obtained from the foregoing sources accounted for about 90 per cent of the employees in the industries covered, as determined by the benchmarks.

3. The estimates in Tables 1 to 7, except those relating to government employees and defence forces, are based on comprehensive data (referred to herein as "benchmarks") derived for the purpose from the population census of June 1971 and other sources, (see paragraph 7). Month-to-month changes shown by current data (see paragraph 2) are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates.

4. Although the series measure reasonably well the short-term trends in employment in the defined field, they may be less reliable for longer-term measurement. There are conceptual differences between benchmark and current data, and changes in such factors as labour turnover, multiple jobholding and part-time working all affect the trend over longer periods.

Concepts and definitions

5. The concepts and definitions applicable to these estimates are those adopted at the 1971 population census, which conformed closely to the recommendations of the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians. At the census the following questions were asked in respect of all persons fifteen years of age and over :

"Did this person have a full or part-time job, or business or farm of any kind last week (even if this person was temporarily absent from a job because of sickness, holidays, industrial dispute, etc.)?"

"Did this person do any work at all last week for payment or profit (even if this person was working only part-time or helping without pay in a family business)?"

Provided they had not been temporarily laid off by their employers without pay for the whole of the week, persons who answered "yes" to either of these questions were classified as employed. Persons in this category were classified as wage or salary earners if on their census schedule they were stated to be "a wage or salary earner" in the job they held in the previous week.

6. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees, but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, postal and telecommunication, air transport, education (including universities), radio and television, police, public works, factories, departmental hospitals and institutions, etc.

Adoption of new benchmarks

7. As results from each successive population census become available it is customary to derive from them new benchmarks for the monthly employment series, and to revise the published estimates for all periods subsequent to the date of the previous census. Benchmarks for June 1971 were established by analysing data from the 1971 population census and other relevant sources such as special returns from government bodies and the Bureau's economic censuses and surveys.

8. For a number of reasons the estimates of employed wage and salary earners previously published for June 1971 differed from the corresponding figures obtained from the 1971 population census. The principal reasons for the differences are as follows :

- (a) there is an unavoidable accumulation of errors in the intercensal employment estimates, e.g. in the estimates of movements in unrecorded employment;
- (b) apart from the undercount to which population censuses are generally subject, evidence from census post-enumeration surveys indicates that the completion of census questionnaires by householders tends to identify a smaller number of persons as being in the labour force than do other methods of measurement (e.g. household surveys conducted by personal interview), and that components of the total labour force, such as employed wage and salary earners, tend to be affected in the same way;
- (c) estimated monthly movements in civilian employment are derived mainly from returns from employers relating to establishments or enterprises, but the population census figures are derived from particulars recorded by individuals on census schedules. The latter do

not in all cases provide precise information to allow accurate coding of industry;

- (d) previously published estimates for June 1971 included about 7,000 male and 17,000 female trainee teachers who are not included in the new benchmarks or subsequent monthly estimates;
- (e) crews of overseas ships are excluded from the monthly employment estimates;
- (f) some persons are not enumerated in the census in the State or Territory in which they work, e.g. persons resident in New South Wales and working in the Australian Capital Territory and persons who at the time of the population census are on holidays interstate.

9. Population census data were not always accepted as a matter of course in determining the June 1971 benchmarks. The factors mentioned above were taken into account and particulars of employment obtained from other sources (see paragraph 7 above) were used in analysing and, where necessary, in revising the estimates. It should be noted that figures in this bulletin are subject to further revision as the results of later censuses and surveys become available.

Current data

10. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

11. In the States payroll tax returns are lodged at present by all employers paying more than \$800 a week in wages (other than certain Australian Government bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Australian and State Payroll Tax

Acts, 1971-1975). Up to the end of 1975, payroll tax returns were lodged by employers paying more than \$400 a week in wages. This level of \$400 a week still applies to employers in the Territories.

Industry

12. The industry classification used in this bulletin is the *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC)*, described in the Bureau publication *Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition)*, 1969, Volume 1. This industry classification is not directly comparable with those adopted for population censuses before 1971 and used in previously published estimates of civilian employees.

Estimates for earlier periods

13. For the period June 1966 to June 1971 detailed industry figures for each State and Australia and the government employment series were published in two special bulletins (Reference No. 6.23) issued on 24 April 1970 and 11 January 1972. However, estimates by industry in those bulletins are not directly comparable with the estimates by industry contained in this bulletin, due to the adoption of ASIC, (see previous paragraph).

14. It is expected that in due course a revised series will be published for the period June 1966 to May 1971, classified according to ASIC. However, it may not be possible to provide as much industry detail as for June 1971 and subsequent periods. ASIC estimates cannot be derived for periods prior to June 1966.

Symbols and other usages

- .. Nil or less than 50 persons
- r Figure or series revised since previous issue
- Break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures.)
- † Affected by industrial disputes

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

	Civilian employees						Defence forces (a)			Total		
	Males		Females		Persons							
	Orig.	Seas. adj. (b)	Orig.	Seas. adj. (b)	Orig.	Seas. adj. (b)						
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons						
1973 -												
November	3,031.1	3,026.8	1,693.4	1,684.2	4,724.4	4,707.5	67.9	3.0	70.9	3,099.0	1,696.4	4,795.3
December	3,042.7	3,034.8	1,692.4	1,690.0	4,735.1	4,724.1	67.2	2.9	70.1	3,109.9	1,695.3	4,805.2
1974 -												
November	3,041.9	3,037.3	1,712.7	1,703.7	4,754.6	4,737.2	64.5	3.1	67.6	3,106.4	1,715.8	4,822.2
December	3,029.4	3,021.8	1,691.6	1,689.8	4,721.0	4,711.0	64.1	3.1	67.2	3,093.5	1,694.7	4,788.2
1975 -												
January r	3,015.9	3,018.5	1,662.8	1,685.6	4,678.7	4,705.0	65.3	3.2	68.5	3,081.2	1,666.0	4,747.2
February r	3,028.6	3,017.7	1,686.6	1,688.1	4,715.2	4,705.3	65.5	3.2	68.7	3,094.1	1,689.8	4,783.9
March r	3,031.8	3,019.8	1,693.0	1,682.9	4,724.8	4,706.4	65.5	3.3	68.8	3,097.3	1,696.3	4,793.6
April r	†3,032.9	†3,030.3	1,702.0	1,695.4	†4,734.9	†4,727.7	65.8	3.4	69.2	†3,098.7	1,705.4	†4,804.1
May r	3,047.3	3,038.3	1,704.8	1,698.4	4,752.0	4,736.2	65.8	3.4	69.2	3,113.1	1,708.2	4,821.2
June r	†3,043.5	†3,043.0	1,709.2	1,704.8	†4,752.7	†4,748.0	65.8	3.4	69.2	†3,109.3	1,712.6	†4,821.9
July r	†3,028.5	†3,036.7	1,712.2	1,715.6	†4,740.7	†4,751.8	65.9	3.4	69.3	†3,094.4	1,715.6	†4,810.0
August r	3,015.0	3,024.9	1,713.6	1,719.4	4,728.6	4,743.1	65.9	3.4	69.3	3,080.9	1,717.0	4,797.9
September r	3,008.0	3,020.1	1,718.5	1,722.0	4,726.5	4,742.4	65.6	3.5	69.1	3,073.6	1,722.0	4,795.6
October r	3,004.2	3,018.4	1,725.5	1,725.9	4,729.8	4,744.6	65.5	3.5	69.0	3,069.7	1,729.0	4,798.8
November	3,000.2	2,995.6	1,732.4	1,723.5	4,732.6	4,715.1	65.1	3.5	68.6	3,065.3	1,735.9	4,801.2
December	2,996.2	2,988.8	1,719.6	1,718.0	4,715.8	4,706.2	64.8	3.5	68.3	3,061.0	1,723.1	4,784.1

(a) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. (b) The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1976 (Reference No. 1.10), to be issued shortly.

TABLE 2. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : STATES AND TERRITORIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia
MALES									
1973 —									
December	1,122.1	841.0	401.8	275.4	240.5	89.8	25.4	46.9	3,042.7
1974 —									
December	1,103.3	836.1	401.2	277.1	244.7	90.5	26.7	49.8	3,029.4
1975 —									
June	r1,102.3	832.9	414.4	278.3	247.9	90.7	24.5	52.4	r3,043.5
July	r1,097.5	†825.2	412.9	277.7	248.0	90.4	24.8	51.9	r†3,028.5
August	r1,090.0	823.3	411.7	276.2	247.1	89.9	25.3	51.5	r3,015.0
September	r1,086.1	824.3	409.9	274.4	246.8	89.7	25.0	51.7	r3,008.0
October	r1,082.8	823.4	410.1	274.5	246.9	89.6	25.0	52.0	r3,004.2
November	1,080.7	823.3	407.8	274.2	247.8	89.1	25.1	52.1	3,000.2
December	1,078.1	825.4	403.7	274.2	247.9	89.2	24.8	53.0	2,996.2
FEMALES									
1973 —									
December	632.7	493.8	201.8	152.6	127.0	43.3	11.8	29.4	1,692.4
1974 —									
December	621.9	489.5	206.2	154.4	130.1	44.7	13.0	32.0	1,691.6
1975 —									
June	r625.2	487.3	210.3	159.5	133.1	46.6	11.7	35.4	r1,709.2
July	r624.6	488.6	210.7	160.3	133.7	46.8	11.9	35.7	r1,712.2
August	r624.2	490.6	209.9	160.1	133.8	46.6	12.4	36.0	r1,713.6
September	r625.7	492.7	211.5	160.1	134.1	46.5	12.2	35.7	r1,718.5
October	r628.2	493.6	212.8	161.6	134.7	46.3	12.5	35.8	r1,725.5
November	631.6	494.9	213.5	163.2	134.9	46.1	12.4	35.9	1,732.4
December	625.5	494.9	212.1	159.7	132.8	46.4	12.4	35.9	1,719.6
PERSONS									
1973 —									
December	1,754.8	1,334.7	603.6	428.0	367.5	133.1	37.1	76.3	4,735.1
1974 —									
December	1,725.1	1,325.6	607.4	431.5	374.7	135.2	39.7	81.8	4,721.0
1975 —									
June	r1,727.5	1,320.3	624.6	437.8	381.0	137.3	36.2	87.9	r4,752.7
July	r1,722.1	†1,313.9	623.6	437.9	381.7	137.3	36.7	87.6	r†4,740.7
August	r1,714.2	1,313.9	621.6	436.3	380.9	136.6	37.7	87.5	r4,728.6
September	r1,711.8	1,316.9	621.5	r434.5	381.0	136.2	37.2	87.4	r4,726.5
October	r1,710.9	1,317.0	623.0	436.2	381.6	135.8	37.5	87.8	r4,729.8
November	1,712.3	1,318.2	621.3	437.4	382.7	135.2	37.5	88.0	4,732.6
December	1,703.6	1,320.4	615.8	433.9	380.7	135.6	37.1	88.9	4,715.8

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.

TABLE 3. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT, AUSTRALIA
NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1975
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

ASIC division (a)	ASIC industry (a)	Males		Females		Persons	
		November	December	November	December	November	December
A(PART)(b)	Forestry, fishing and hunting	13.5	13.7	1.0	1.0	14.4	14.7
B	Mining	73.2	73.5	5.8	5.9	78.9	79.4
	Coal	22.8	23.0	0.6	0.6	23.3	23.5
	Other	50.4	50.5	5.2	5.3	55.6	55.8
C	Manufacturing — original	889.5	886.4	317.6	314.2	1,207.0	1,200.6
	<i>seas. adj. (c)</i>	..	..	..	..	1,200.2	1,203.6
	Food, beverages and tobacco	142.4	141.2	50.6	49.5	193.1	190.8
	Textiles	25.6	25.6	19.6	19.6	45.2	45.1
	Clothing and footwear	20.4	20.3	71.9	71.2	92.3	91.5
	Knitting mills; clothing	14.9	14.9	63.0	62.4	77.8	77.3
	Footwear	5.5	5.4	8.9	8.8	14.4	14.3
	Wood, wood products and furniture	67.2	66.8	10.5	10.4	77.7	77.2
	Wood and wood products	45.8	45.5	5.2	5.1	50.9	50.6
	Furniture and mattresses	21.5	21.4	5.3	5.3	26.8	26.6
	Paper and paper products, printing	71.7	71.8	26.0	25.7	97.7	97.5
	Chemical, petroleum and coal products	45.6	45.7	17.0	16.9	62.7	62.6
	Basic chemicals; other chemical and related products	40.4	40.4	16.8	16.6	57.1	57.0
	Petroleum refining; petroleum and coal products n.e.c.	5.3	5.3	0.3	0.3	5.5	5.6
	Non-metallic mineral products	43.2	43.1	5.5	5.4	48.6	48.5
	Basic metal products	82.3	82.5	7.1	7.0	89.5	89.5
	Basic iron and steel	60.7	60.6	5.0	4.8	65.6	65.4
	Non-ferrous metal basic products	21.7	21.9	2.2	2.2	23.8	24.1
	Fabricated metal products	86.6	86.2	22.0	21.8	108.6	108.0
	Transport equipment	132.4	131.5	16.7	16.6	149.1	148.1
	Motor vehicles and parts	69.8	69.3	14.0	13.9	83.8	83.2
	Other transport equipment	62.6	62.2	2.7	2.7	65.3	64.9
	Other machinery and equipment	128.3	127.9	46.4	46.1	174.7	174.1
	Appliances and electrical equipment	58.6	58.5	33.5	33.1	92.1	91.6
	Industrial machinery and scientific equipment	69.6	69.5	12.9	13.0	82.5	82.5
	Miscellaneous manufacturing	43.7	43.7	24.2	24.1	68.0	67.8
D	Electricity, gas and water	90.9	90.9	9.1	9.1	100.0	100.0
	Electricity and gas	65.3	65.3	6.7	6.8	72.0	72.0
	Water, sewerage and drainage	25.6	25.6	2.4	2.4	28.0	28.0
E	Construction	362.1	355.8	18.2	18.1	380.3	373.9
F	Wholesale and retail trade — original	550.4	552.3	415.2	416.1	965.6	968.4
	<i>seas. adj. (c)</i>	..	..	..	..	952.8	949.8
	Wholesale trade	241.2	241.1	94.3	93.7	335.5	334.8
	Retail trade	309.2	311.2	320.9	322.5	630.2	633.6
	Motor vehicle dealers, petrol and tyre retailers	139.2	138.8	29.7	29.7	168.9	168.5
	Other retail trade	170.0	172.4	291.2	292.7	461.2	465.1
G	Transport and storage	217.1	219.4	36.2	36.4	253.2	255.9
	Road transport	82.2	82.4	13.5	13.6	95.7	96.0
	Railway transport	58.2	58.4	5.8	5.9	64.0	64.3
	Water transport	31.6	31.4	2.1	2.1	33.8	33.5
	Air transport	25.7	25.7	6.9	6.9	32.6	32.6
	Other transport and storage	19.3	21.5	7.9	8.0	27.2	29.5
H	Communication	72.2	73.0	29.9	30.1	102.1	103.0
I	Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	195.3	195.1	180.1	179.8	375.4	374.9
	Finance and investment	76.3	76.6	64.1	64.6	140.4	141.1
	Banking	59.4	59.6	45.7	46.1	105.1	105.7
	Other finance; investment	16.9	17.0	18.4	18.5	35.3	35.5
	Insurance	36.9	36.7	30.8	30.5	67.6	67.2
	Real estate and business services	82.1	81.9	85.3	84.8	167.4	166.6
J	Public administration and defence (d)	155.9	156.4	91.5	90.8	247.4	247.2
K	Community services	270.3	269.4	463.1	453.1	733.4	722.5
	Health	61.7	62.1	243.4	242.6	305.1	304.7
	Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	116.0	114.3	180.2	171.2	296.2	285.6
	Welfare, religious institutions	17.0	17.1	17.0	16.9	34.0	34.0
	Other community services	75.6	75.9	22.5	22.4	98.1	98.3
L	Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services (e)	109.9	110.5	164.9	164.9	274.8	275.4
	Entertainment, recreational services	38.1	38.1	24.8	24.8	63.0	62.9
	Restaurants, hotels, clubs and personal services (e)	71.8	72.4	140.1	140.1	211.9	212.5
	Total	3,000.2	2,996.2	1,732.4	1,719.6	4,732.6	4,715.8
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT							
	Private — orig.	2,097.3	2,093.7	1,357.3	1,354.0	3,454.6	3,447.8
	<i>seas. adj. (c)</i>	..	..	..	..	3,430.1	3,435.9
	Government (f) — orig.	902.9	902.5	375.1	365.6	1,278.0	1,268.1
	<i>seas. adj. (c)</i>	..	..	..	..	1,284.3	1,271.5
	Australian	279.4	280.4	119.0	118.7	398.4	399.1
	State	517.8	518.1	236.4	227.5	754.2	745.6
	Local	105.7	103.9	19.8	19.5	125.4	123.4

TABLE 4. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT, STATES
 MALES, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1975
 (Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
 ('000)

ASIC division (a)	ASIC industry (a)	N.S.W.		Vic.		Qld		S.A.		W.A.		Tas.	
		November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December
A(PART)(b)	Forestry, fishing and hunting	3.3	3.3	2.5	2.7	3.3	3.3	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.7	1.2	1.2
B	Mining	24.8	24.8	4.2	4.2	15.1	15.1	3.0	3.0	19.8	20.0	4.1	4.2
C	Manufacturing	338.4	337.3	286.5	286.6	94.4	92.2	87.5	87.6	54.3	54.4	23.5	23.5
	Food, beverages and tobacco	46.4	46.4	42.0	42.4	27.7	25.6	12.6	12.9	8.7	8.8	4.2	4.3
	Textiles	7.1	7.0	14.7	14.8	0.7	0.7	1.3	1.4	0.4	0.4	1.2	1.2
	Clothing and footwear	6.3	6.3	11.9	11.9	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1
	Wood, wood products and furniture	21.8	21.6	17.6	17.5	9.3	9.3	7.4	7.4	6.6	6.6	4.0	4.0
	Wood and wood products	13.8	13.6	11.7	11.7	6.6	6.6	5.1	5.1	4.6	4.6	3.5	3.5
	Furniture and mattresses	8.0	8.0	5.8	5.8	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.0	0.5	0.5
	Paper and paper products, printing	25.8	25.6	24.3	24.4	6.6	6.6	5.0	5.1	3.9	3.9	5.0	5.0
	Chemical, petroleum and coal products	21.0	21.0	15.6	15.7	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.8	0.8	0.8
	Non-metallic mineral products	16.5	16.4	11.3	11.3	5.5	5.5	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.5	1.0	1.0
	Basic metal products	48.4	48.6	9.0	9.0	5.9	5.8	8.4	8.3	6.9	7.0	3.6	3.6
	Fabricated metal products	33.2	33.2	26.2	26.2	9.6	9.6	8.8	8.6	6.6	6.4	1.4	1.4
	Transport equipment	40.5	40.2	51.2	50.6	12.5	12.5	21.1	21.1	5.6	5.6	1.2	1.2
	Other machinery and equipment	54.2	54.0	44.2	44.1	10.1	10.0	12.1	12.2	6.5	6.4	0.8	0.8
	Miscellaneous manufacturing	17.1	17.0	18.6	18.6	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	1.6	1.6	0.2	0.2
D	Electricity, gas and water	35.8	35.8	27.5	27.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	6.5	6.5	3.2	3.2
E	Construction	119.4	116.7	86.1	86.1	64.8	62.6	33.5	33.2	32.4	31.6	12.3	12.3
F	Wholesale and retail trade	198.1	198.4	152.2	153.3	79.7	79.4	51.3	51.3	45.6	45.9	14.7	14.9
	Wholesale trade	83.0	82.8	67.6	67.8	36.0	35.6	23.1	23.2	21.4	21.6	6.7	6.7
	Retail trade	115.1	115.6	84.6	85.5	43.6	43.8	28.2	28.2	24.2	24.3	8.0	8.2
	Motor vehicle dealers, petrol and tyre retailers	50.4	50.4	36.7	36.5	20.9	20.9	13.1	13.0	12.2	12.2	3.6	3.6
	Other retail trade	64.7	65.2	47.9	49.1	22.7	22.9	15.1	15.2	12.0	12.2	4.5	4.6
G	Transport and storage	80.1	81.4	55.2	56.0	33.2	33.2	17.8	17.8	20.7	20.9	6.6	6.5
	Road transport	32.1	32.5	21.7	21.4	10.8	10.8	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.8	2.7	2.7
	Rail and air transport	29.8	29.9	20.7	20.7	15.9	16.0	6.8	6.8	7.7	7.7	1.8	1.8
	Water transport	11.6	11.5	7.5	7.6	4.2	4.1	2.7	2.7	3.7	3.5	1.6	1.6
	Other transport and storage	6.7	7.4	5.3	6.3	2.3	2.3	1.8	1.8	2.6	3.0	0.5	0.5
H	Communication	25.5	25.6	20.3	20.5	10.4	10.7	6.7	6.7	6.0	6.0	2.1	2.1
I	Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	76.4	76.3	54.9	54.8	25.4	25.2	15.5	15.5	13.9	14.0	4.6	4.6
	Finance and investment	29.1	29.2	21.4	21.4	10.0	10.0	6.8	6.8	5.8	5.8	1.8	1.8
	Banking	22.2	22.4	17.5	17.5	7.5	7.5	5.2	5.2	4.5	4.5	1.4	1.4
	Other finance	6.8	6.9	3.9	4.0	2.5	2.5	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.3	0.4	0.4
	Insurance	13.2	13.0	11.9	11.9	4.9	4.8	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.5	1.0	1.0
	Real estate and business services	34.1	34.0	21.6	21.5	10.6	10.4	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.7	1.8	1.8
J	Public administration and defence (c)	46.9	47.3	34.4	34.1	22.4	22.4	10.8	10.9	14.6	14.6	5.1	5.1
K	Community services	86.1	85.4	73.0	73.1	37.2	37.3	30.2	29.9	23.4	23.3	8.1	8.1
	Health	21.0	21.0	16.3	16.4	8.9	9.0	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.4	1.7	1.7
	Education, libraries, museums, and art galleries	36.5	35.9	34.0	33.9	15.0	14.9	11.9	11.6	9.7	9.3	3.8	3.8
	Welfare, religious institutions and other community services	28.5	28.5	22.7	22.7	13.3	13.3	11.9	11.9	7.5	7.6	2.6	2.6
L	Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels, and personal services (e)	45.9	45.8	26.5	26.5	13.6	13.9	8.6	8.9	8.8	9.0	3.7	3.5
	Total	1,080.7	1,078.1	823.3	825.4	407.8	403.7	274.2	274.2	247.8	247.9	89.1	89.2
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT													
	Private	772.8	769.9	598.3	599.8	276.5	273.1	184.7	184.7	168.9	169.8	60.5	60.7
	Government (f)	307.9	308.2	225.0	225.7	131.3	130.5	89.5	89.5	79.0	78.1	28.6	28.5
	Australian	89.2	89.7	71.5	71.2	29.8	30.1	24.9	24.9	16.7	16.7	6.0	6.0
	State	169.5	169.8	133.6	134.7	81.0	80.5	59.0	58.9	55.1	54.6	19.6	19.6
	Local	49.2	48.7	20.0	19.8	20.5	19.9	5.7	5.6	7.1	6.8	3.0	2.9

TABLE 5. -- CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT, STATES
FEMALES, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1975
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

ASIC division (a)	ASIC industry (a)	N.S.W.		Vic.		Qld		S.A.		W.A.		Tas.	
		November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December	November	December
A(PART)(b)	Forestry, fishing and hunting	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1			0.2	0.2		0.1
B	Mining	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.1	0.4	0.4	2.1	2.2	0.2	0.2
C	Manufacturing	122.4	120.7	127.3	126.7	23.7	22.8	26.3	26.2	12.1	12.0	4.6	4.5
	Food, beverages and tobacco	16.9	16.3	15.8	16.0	7.7	7.1	5.1	5.1	3.5	3.5	1.4	1.3
	Textiles	5.7	5.6	10.4	10.5	0.7	0.7	1.2	1.2	0.3	0.3	1.3	1.2
	Clothing and footwear	25.0	24.5	38.6	38.5	3.6	3.5	3.2	3.3	1.3	1.3	0.1	0.1
	Wood, wood products and furniture	3.7	3.6	2.9	2.9	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.0	0.3	0.3
	Wood and wood products	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.4	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2
	Furniture and mattresses	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.6	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.1
	Paper and paper products, printing	10.2	10.1	8.6	8.4	2.6	2.6	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.5	0.7	0.7
	Chemical, petroleum and coal products	9.7	9.6	5.5	5.5	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4		
	Non-metallic mineral products	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1
	Basic metal products	3.6	3.6	1.3	1.3	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.2
	Fabricated metal products	8.8	8.7	7.1	7.1	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.3	1.1	1.1	0.2	0.2
	Transport equipment	4.1	4.0	9.1	9.1	0.9	0.9	2.2	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
	Other machinery and equipment	22.4	22.3	16.2	15.9	1.7	1.7	4.8	4.9	1.1	1.1	0.1	0.1
	Miscellaneous manufacturing	10.2	10.2	9.7	9.6	1.5	1.4	2.2	2.2	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.1
D	Electricity, gas and water	3.8	3.8	2.9	2.9	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.3
E	Construction	6.9	6.8	4.6	4.6	2.6	2.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.3	0.3
F	Wholesale and retail trade	153.9	153.2	111.0	112.1	57.3	56.9	39.8	39.8	35.8	36.1	10.3	10.8
	Wholesale trade	34.0	33.8	27.2	27.0	13.0	12.8	8.8	8.7	8.4	8.4	1.9	1.8
	Retail trade	119.9	119.4	83.9	85.0	44.3	44.1	31.0	31.1	27.4	27.7	8.4	9.0
	Motor vehicle dealers, petrol and tyre retailers	11.6	11.6	6.5	6.5	5.1	5.0	3.2	3.2	2.5	2.4	0.5	0.5
	Other retail trade	108.4	107.9	77.4	78.5	39.3	39.1	27.8	28.0	25.0	25.2	7.8	8.4
G	Transport and storage	15.3	15.4	10.1	10.1	4.2	4.3	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.6	0.7
	Road transport	5.8	5.9	3.5	3.5	1.6	1.6	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.3	0.3
	Rail and air transport	5.3	5.4	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.2	0.2
	Water transport	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
	Other transport and storage	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.8	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.1
H	Communication	10.9	10.9	8.1	8.2	4.4	4.5	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.3	0.8	0.8
I	Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	79.0	78.9	45.3	45.2	22.4	22.3	13.4	13.3	12.9	12.9	3.8	3.9
	Finance and investment	26.7	26.9	15.6	15.8	8.7	8.8	4.9	4.9	5.3	5.4	1.5	1.5
	Banking	19.1	19.3	11.3	11.4	6.2	6.3	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.6	1.2	1.2
	Other finance	7.6	7.6	4.3	4.4	2.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.7	0.4	0.4
	Insurance	13.0	12.9	8.5	8.4	3.6	3.6	2.6	2.5	1.9	1.9	0.8	0.8
	Real estate and business services	39.3	39.1	21.2	21.1	10.0	9.9	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	1.5	1.5
J	Public administration and defence (d)	24.9	24.7	21.7	21.2	11.0	11.0	6.1	6.0	8.4	8.4	3.1	3.0
K	Community services	154.2	150.9	123.9	123.9	60.0	59.8	52.8	49.3	41.9	39.4	15.4	15.4
	Health	82.8	82.4	64.6	64.7	32.1	32.0	27.2	27.0	23.6	23.5	8.1	8.2
	Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	58.6	55.9	49.0	48.9	22.8	22.8	20.7	17.4	15.4	12.9	6.4	6.4
	Welfare, religious institutions and other community services	12.8	12.7	10.3	10.3	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.9	2.9	2.9	0.9	0.9
L	Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels, and personal services (e)	58.8	58.7	39.0	39.0	25.8	25.8	17.2	17.3	14.4	14.6	6.6	6.4
	Total	631.6	625.5	494.9	494.9	213.5	212.1	163.2	159.7	134.9	132.8	46.1	46.4
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT													
	Private	507.8	504.6	406.2	406.8	168.5	167.1	118.9	118.6	101.8	102.2	33.8	34.2
	Government (f)	123.8	120.8	88.7	88.1	45.0	45.0	44.2	41.1	33.1	30.6	12.3	12.2
	Australian	35.7	35.8	26.8	26.5	11.9	12.0	7.7	7.7	6.8	6.8	2.1	2.1
	State	81.2	78.1	54.0	53.9	31.0	30.9	35.5	32.3	25.0	22.5	9.7	9.6
	Local	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.6	2.0	2.1	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.3	0.5	0.5

(a) Australian Standard Industrial Classification (see paragraph 12, page 3). (b) Excludes ASIC Sub-divisions 01 Agriculture and 02 Services to agriculture. (c) The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1976 (Reference No. 1.10), to be issued shortly. (d) Excludes permanent defence forces. (e) Excludes ASIC Sub-division 94 Private households employing staff. (f) Includes semi-government bodies. Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6, page 2). Excludes employees engaged in agriculture.

TABLE 6. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT
NORTHERN TERRITORY
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Mining	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale and retail trade	Transport and storage	Public administration and defence (a)	Community services	Other	Total	Private	Government (a)(b)
MALES											
1975 -											
September	2.2	1.4	5.5	2.1	1.8	4.1	4.6	3.2	25.0	15.4	9.6
October	2.2	1.4	5.5	2.2	1.8	4.0	4.7	3.2	25.0	15.5	9.5
November	2.1	1.3	5.6	2.3	1.8	3.9	4.7	3.3	25.1	15.7	9.4
December	2.1	1.2	5.4	2.3	1.8	3.9	4.7	3.4	24.8	15.3	9.4
FEMALES											
1975 -											
September	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.7	0.3	3.0	4.6	1.7	12.2	6.3	5.9
October	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.8	0.3	3.1	4.6	1.8	12.5	6.5	6.0
November	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.9	0.2	3.0	4.6	1.9	12.4	6.5	5.9
December	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.9	0.2	3.0	4.5	1.9	12.4	6.5	5.9
PERSONS											
1975 -											
September	2.5	1.7	5.7	3.8	2.1	7.1	9.2	4.9	37.2	21.7	15.5
October	2.5	1.7	5.7	4.0	2.1	7.1	9.3	5.0	37.5	22.0	15.5
November	2.4	1.6	5.8	4.2	2.0	6.9	9.3	5.2	37.5	22.2	15.3
December	2.3	1.5	5.6	4.2	2.0	6.9	9.2	5.3	37.1	21.8	(c)15.3

(a) Excludes permanent defence forces. (b) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees, (see paragraph 6, page 2). (c) Includes 0.2 thousand local government employees (mainly males), the remainder being employees of Australian government bodies.

TABLE 7. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (a)
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale and retail trade	Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	Public administration and defence (b)	Community Services			Other	Total	Private	Government (b)(c)
						Education, libraries, museums, and art galleries	Other community services	Entertainment, restaurants, hotels and personal services				
MALES												
1975 —												
September	3.5	8.0	6.4	3.7	17.6	4.1	3.2	1.8	3.3	51.7	19.9	31.8
October	3.5	8.0	6.4	3.7	17.8	4.2	3.3	1.8	3.3	52.0	20.0	32.0
November	3.5	8.0	6.5	3.6	17.8	4.2	3.4	1.8	3.3	52.1	19.9	32.1
December	3.5	8.0	6.8	3.7	18.1	4.1	3.5	1.9	3.4	53.0	20.4	32.6
FEMALES												
1975 —												
September	1.0	0.5	5.1	2.7	13.4	5.5	4.5	2.2	0.9	35.7	13.8	21.9
October	1.0	0.5	5.1	2.7	13.4	5.5	4.6	2.2	1.0	35.8	13.8	22.0
November	1.0	0.5	5.2	2.7	13.3	5.5	4.7	2.1	1.0	35.9	13.9	22.0
December	1.0	0.5	5.3	2.7	13.4	5.3	4.7	2.1	1.0	35.9	14.0	21.9
PERSONS												
1975 —												
September	4.5	8.5	11.5	6.4	31.0	9.6	7.7	4.0	4.2	87.4	33.7	53.7
October	4.5	8.5	11.5	6.4	31.2	9.7	7.9	4.0	4.3	87.8	33.8	54.0
November	4.5	8.5	11.7	6.3	31.1	9.7	8.1	3.9	4.3	88.0	33.9	54.2
December	4.5	8.5	12.1	6.4	31.5	9.4	8.2	4.0	4.4	88.9	34.4	54.5

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) Excludes permanent defence forces. (c) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees, (see paragraph 6, page 2).

TABLE 8. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT, DECEMBER 1975
PART 1 - TOTAL FULL-TIME STAFF EMPLOYED UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVICE ACT
(EXCLUDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE PARLIAMENT) IN AUSTRALIA AND OVERSEAS

Body	Males	Females	Persons
Aboriginal Affairs	898	454	1,352
Administrative Services (a)	4,945	1,475	6,420
Australian Archives	185	120	305
Australian Electoral Office	411	306	717
Australian Government Publishing Service	773	357	1,130
National Library	225	524	749
Purchasing Office	556	257	813
Attorney-General's (a)	863	694	1,557
Australian Legal Aid Office	173	202	375
Parliamentary Counsel	18	13	31
Business and Consumer Affairs (a)	4,481	1,199	5,680
Industries Assistance Commission	337	195	532
Patent Office	331	210	541
Trade Practices	109	71	180
Capital Territory	2,829	823	3,652
Construction	13,742	1,408	15,150
Defence	18,148	6,812	24,960
Education (a)	1,287	1,992	3,279
Australian Universities Commission	20	20	40
Commission on Advanced Education	20	17	37
Schools Commission	71	65	136
Technical and Further Education Commission	12	10	22
Curriculum Development Centre	9	13	22
Employment and Industrial Relations	3,315	2,383	5,698
Environment, Housing and Community Development (a)	1,410	836	2,246
Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service	4	1	5
Foreign Affairs (a)	2,571	1,967	4,538
Australian Development Assistance Agency	421	318	739
Papua New Guinea Office	55	39	94
Health (a)	2,402	3,435	5,837
Capital Territory Health Commission	252	419	671
Hospitals and Health Services Commission	6	15	21
Immigration and Ethnic Affairs	909	643	1,552
Industry and Commerce	3,193	947	4,140
National Resources (a)	677	245	922
Bureau of Mineral Resources	501	121	622
Northern Territory	1,678	812	2,490
Overseas Trade	790	398	1,188
Postal and Telecommunications (a)	333	120	453
Australian Broadcasting Control Board	189	69	258
Primary Industry (a)	2,339	341	2,680
Bureau of Agricultural Economics	254	71	325
Forestry and Timber Bureau	17	15	32
Prime Minister and Cabinet (a)	299	253	552
Auditor-General's Office	516	70	586
Public Service Board	593	440	1,033
Australian Film Commission	142	37	179
Childrens Commission	34	41	75
Repatriation	4,954	6,152	11,106
Science (a)	612	230	842
Bureau of Meteorology	1,634	321	1,955
Social Security (a)	4,764	5,132	9,896
Social Welfare Commission	21	27	48
Transport (a)	10,536	1,186	11,722
Bureau of Transport Economics	90	28	118
Road Safety and Standard Authority	48	11	59
Treasury (a)	974	576	1,550
Australian Taxation Office	7,637	4,854	12,491
Retirement Benefits Office	162	347	509
Royal Australian Mint	261	59	320
Australian Bureau of Statistics	2,309	1,569	3,878
Total Under Public Service Act	107,345	51,765	159,110

(a) Excludes branch(es) shown separately.

TABLE 8. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT, DECEMBER 1975 — continued
PART II — STAFF (IN AUSTRALIA) EMPLOYED UNDER OTHER ACTS

<i>Body</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
DEPARTMENTS			
Education	1,412	2,789	4,201
Defence (Navy docks, factories, etc.)	8,466	271	8,737
Industry and Commerce (munitions factories, weapons research, etc.)	4,373	1,412	5,785
Administrative Services (Australia Police)	1,413	55	1,468
Capital Territory (ACT Police)	549	19	568
Northern Territory (NT Police)	501	10	511
Other Departments	476	102	578
<i>Total Departments</i>	<i>17,190</i>	<i>4,658</i>	<i>21,848</i>
OTHER BODIES			
A.C.T. Electricity Authority	555	103	658
Australian Atomic Energy Commission	1,167	185	1,352
Australian Broadcasting Commission	5,433	2,219	7,652
Australian Coastal Shipping Commission	2,585	149	2,734
Australian Postal Commission	29,940	6,391	36,331
Australian Services Canteens Organisation	393	556	949
Australian Telecommunications Commission	68,744	21,208	89,952
C.S.I.R.O.	5,496	1,783	7,279
Canberra Hospitals	503	2,282	2,785
Commonwealth Banking Corporation	13,699	12,684	26,383
Commonwealth Hostels Ltd	662	801	1,463
Commonwealth Railways	3,860	333	4,193
Commonwealth Serum Laboratories Commission	697	339	1,036
Health Insurance Commission	826	3,340	4,166
Overseas Telecommunications Commission	1,744	312	2,056
Qantas Airways Ltd	9,667	1,791	11,458
Reserve Bank of Australia	2,020	1,622	3,642
Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Authority	586	69	655
Trans-Australia Airlines	5,942	2,044	7,986
Other (a)	5,076	3,248	8,324
<i>Total Other Bodies</i>	<i>159,595</i>	<i>61,459</i>	<i>221,054</i>
Total Under Other Acts	176,785	66,117	242,902
Total Under Public Service Act	107,345	51,765	159,110
GRAND TOTAL (b)	284,130	117,882	402,012

(a) Includes employees of the Departments of the Parliament, who are appointed under the Public Service Act but to whom special provisions apply. Also includes the Australian National University and Canberra College of Advanced Education. (b) These totals differ from those shown in Table 3 because, for persons employed under the Public Service Act, all part-time employees are excluded and employees overseas are included.

2. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

The tables in this section contain (a) estimates of the total number of persons unemployed, derived from the quarterly population survey, (b) the numbers registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service as unemployed, and (c) the number in receipt of unemployment benefit.

Total Unemployed Persons : Population Survey Estimates

2. The quarterly population survey is carried out on a sample basis throughout Australia in February, May, August and November each year. Interviews are conducted during a period of four weeks in the State capital cities and two weeks in other areas. Particulars of the number of persons employed or unemployed, and of the total labour force, are published each quarter in a mimeographed bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

3. For purposes of the survey, unemployed persons are defined as all those who, during the whole of the week prior to the interview week, did no work at all and either :

- (a) did not have a job or business and were actively looking for work (including those who stated that they would have looked for work if they had not been temporarily ill or believed no work was available or had not already made definite arrangements to start work in a new job after survey week), or
- (b) had a job from which they were temporarily laid off without pay for the whole week.

4. Unemployed persons therefore comprise those looking for full-time work, those looking for part-time work and those temporarily laid off from either full-time or part-time jobs. This definition of unemployed persons conforms closely to that recommended by the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians, Geneva, 1954.

5. Since the estimates are based on a sample, they

may differ from the figures that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same questionnaires and procedures. There are about two chances in three that the differences would be less than 4,000 for total unemployed males, less than 3,500 for total unemployed females and less than 5,000 for total unemployed persons, and about nineteen chances in twenty that they would be less than twice these figures. Further details about the survey and the reliability of estimates will be found in the quarterly bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

6. The sample estimates will differ from the number of persons registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (see Table 10) as not employed, awaiting placement in full-time employment, for a number of reasons, including the following :

- (a) the survey estimates include persons looking for part-time work as well as those looking for full-time work,
- (b) they exclude persons who did any work at all during the survey week, even though they may subsequently have become unemployed and registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service, or have done so little work as not to lose eligibility for unemployment benefit,
- (c) they represent averages over a period (see paragraph 2), whereas the numbers registered refer to a particular day,
- (d) they are subject to sampling variability (see paragraph 5),
- (e) they include some unemployed persons (particularly females) who do not register with the Commonwealth Employment Service, and
- (f) they exclude any persons registered as unemployed who find jobs but do not notify the Commonwealth Employment Service at once that they have done so.

TABLE 9. - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a)

Month	Age (years)										
	Looking for		Total		15-19			Per cent of labour force (b)			
	Full-time work ('000)	Part-time work ('000)	Original ('000)	Seasonally adjusted (c) ('000)	Looking for first job ('000)	Total ('000)	20 and over ('000)	15-19	20 and over	Total	
										Original	Seasonally adjusted
MALES											
1974 -											
February	51.0	5.3	56.3	48.1	7.2	18.8	37.5	5.1	1.1	1.5	1.3
May	40.8	4.3	45.2	49.8	*	10.4	34.8	2.9	1.0	1.2	1.3
August	56.3	4.5	60.8	72.3	*	15.2	45.5	4.5	1.3	1.6	1.9
November	99.0	12.4	111.4	106.9	17.0	42.7	68.7	11.9	1.9	2.9	2.7
1975 -											
February	137.1	6.7	143.8	122.3	13.4	41.6	102.2	11.1	2.9	3.7	3.1
May	117.4	7.1	124.5	139.5	8.3	30.8	93.7	8.5	2.7	3.2	3.6
August	116.3	8.3	124.6	(d)151.0	9.6	37.5	87.0	10.6	2.5	3.2	3.9
November (e)	138.4	11.2	149.6	(d)144.4	20.3	52.9	96.7	14.6	2.7	3.8	3.7
1976 -											
February	144.6	10.4	155.0	††(d)131.6	17.0	49.8	105.2	12.8	2.9	3.9	3.3
FEMALES											
1974 -											
February	42.4	21.6	63.9	50.6	8.8	23.4	40.6	7.1	2.4	3.2	2.5
May	30.9	19.2	50.1	56.6	5.8	18.2	31.9	5.6	1.9	2.5	2.8
August	37.9	17.0	55.0	67.1	5.6	18.4	36.5	6.0	2.2	2.8	3.4
November	68.6	21.0	89.6	92.1	16.3	40.4	49.1	12.3	2.8	4.3	4.5
1975 -											
February	95.3	33.4	128.6	101.9	19.0	52.7	75.9	15.2	4.4	6.2	5.0
May	74.1	31.0	105.1	120.0	13.0	38.7	66.4	11.7	3.9	5.1	5.8
August	79.7	29.2	108.9	(d)136.8	15.6	44.6	64.3	13.6	3.7	5.3	6.6
November (e)	93.4	36.1	129.5	(d)131.6	25.7	56.5	73.0	16.7	4.0	6.0	6.2
1976 -											
February	89.6	39.4	128.9	††(d)102.5	21.1	52.0	77.0	15.0	4.3	6.0	4.8
PERSONS											
1974 -											
February	93.4	26.8	120.2	98.3	16.0	42.2	78.1	6.0	1.5	2.1	1.7
May	71.7	23.5	95.2	104.9	8.4	28.6	66.7	4.2	1.3	1.6	1.8
August	94.2	21.5	115.7	142.8	9.1	33.7	82.1	5.2	1.6	2.0	2.4
November	167.6	33.4	201.0	200.2	33.2	83.1	117.9	12.1	2.2	3.4	3.4
1975 -											
February	232.4	40.1	272.4	222.3	32.4	94.3	178.1	13.1	3.4	4.6	3.7
May	191.5	38.1	229.6	259.5	21.3	69.5	160.1	10.0	3.1	3.9	4.4
August	195.9	37.5	233.5	(d)295.3	25.2	82.1	151.3	12.0	2.9	3.9	5.0
November (e)	231.8	47.3	279.1	(d)277.2	46.0	109.4	169.7	15.6	3.2	4.6	4.6
1976 -											
February	234.2	49.8	283.9	††(d)231.4	38.0	101.8	182.2	13.9	3.4	4.7	3.8

(a) Aged 15 years and over. For definition, see page 11. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group. (c) See note (c) to Table 5. (d) All adjustment methods which compute seasonal factors as some average of the seasonal pattern for previous years are subject to inherent limitations when the pattern changes. The method currently used assumes that seasonal variations (such as that which occurs in November when young people leave school and seek employment) are proportional to the level of the series. However, when the number of unemployed becomes exceptionally high this proportional relationship may change. If it does, the change cannot be accommodated quickly enough by the current method. Such a change has been occurring in recent periods and as a result the seasonally adjusted figures for November and subsequent periods are understated while those for the preceding period are overstated. It is difficult in these circumstances to draw any reliable conclusions from the movement in the seasonally adjusted figures in recent periods. (e) The sample size was reduced for the November 1975 survey. Consequently the standard errors for estimates from that survey are larger than usual. For details see the November 1975 issue of *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

* Estimates less than 4,000 are not published, because they would be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Although figures for these small components can be derived, they should not be regarded as reliable.

†† Affected by the deferral of the interviewing period by one week. It is estimated that had interviewing taken place in the normal period, the seasonally adjusted figure for persons would have been higher by some 5,000 to 10,000.

TABLE 10. — REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED (a)
(Source : Department of Employment and Industrial Relations)

Month (a)	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia			
							Excluding school leavers		Total	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted (d)r	Original	Seasonally adjusted (d)r
MALES										
1974 —										
April	16,328	12,009	7,312	4,892	3,915	1,586	43,551	45,568	46,042	49,916
1975 —										
March	63,622	41,545	30,611	14,027	12,694	3,815	154,656	154,853	166,314	167,504
April	64,014	40,068	27,926	14,694	11,526	3,460	152,304	159,688	161,688	175,627
May	61,740	39,314	24,442	13,081	9,853	3,295	144,846	149,972	151,725	167,468
June	60,919	42,913	24,285	12,739	10,032	3,648	149,031	151,487	154,536	171,250
July	62,561	47,513	25,336	12,881	10,204	3,825	157,473	162,798	162,320	183,847
August	65,014	43,460	26,422	13,692	10,303	4,196	158,644	170,358	163,087	190,888
September	66,812	43,671	24,300	14,017	10,562	4,631	159,908	179,605	163,993	199,722
October	69,066	43,044	24,378	13,986	10,626	4,678	161,914	183,728	165,778	202,615
November	75,006	46,300	25,740	14,736	11,533	4,747	167,704	182,388	178,062	190,395
December	88,868	54,217	34,324	19,316	15,698	6,450	186,385	170,292	218,873	180,103
1976 —										
January	92,250	53,725	38,761	19,814	16,790	7,775	198,628	157,221	229,115	167,656
February	82,624	41,869	34,299	16,906	14,096	6,426	175,676	152,714	196,220	164,461
March	75,431	38,267	31,099	14,743	12,343	5,448	163,511	163,390	177,331	178,219
April	74,433	38,816	28,426	13,506	12,098	5,063	160,976	168,954	172,342	188,003
FEMALES										
1974 —										
April	11,247	7,934	4,395	3,118	2,678	1,451	27,484	25,823	30,823	30,140
1975 —										
March	37,790	32,025	14,872	8,675	8,239	2,869	91,784	83,341	104,470	94,797
April	37,461	31,311	15,241	9,082	7,899	2,674	92,864	87,626	103,668	101,270
May	35,741	29,142	13,984	8,212	6,629	2,631	87,897	85,603	96,339	100,708
June	33,676	27,447	13,206	7,597	6,971	2,542	84,594	84,172	91,439	100,660
July	32,366	27,040	13,161	7,514	6,842	2,379	83,723	84,839	89,302	102,401
August	31,528	24,908	12,648	7,641	6,112	2,305	80,250	87,357	85,142	105,363
September	30,697	23,673	11,871	7,187	6,169	2,504	77,720	86,496	82,101	103,874
October	30,787	23,361	11,714	7,022	5,944	2,593	77,158	85,943	81,421	102,992
November	33,771	24,637	12,526	7,226	6,596	2,749	78,908	83,604	87,505	91,681
December	41,212	30,919	15,578	9,762	8,570	3,791	82,071	89,220	109,832	99,502
1976 —										
January	43,228	32,168	16,289	10,375	8,693	4,071	86,370	77,828	114,824	88,632
February	39,845	29,940	15,842	9,379	8,656	3,857	85,604	75,565	107,519	87,491
March	36,461	28,636	15,135	8,790	8,258	3,399	84,266	76,693	100,679	91,354
April	34,583	26,947	14,638	8,169	7,948	3,376	81,612	77,173	95,661	94,711
PERSONS										
1974 —										
April	27,575	19,943	11,707	8,010	6,593	3,037	71,035	71,483	76,865	80,222
1975 —										
March	101,412	73,570	45,483	22,702	20,933	6,684	246,440	238,079	270,784	262,224
April	101,475	71,379	43,167	23,776	19,425	6,134	245,168	247,355	265,356	276,892
May	97,481	68,456	38,426	21,293	16,482	5,926	232,743	237,014	248,064	269,617
June	94,595	70,360	37,491	20,336	17,003	6,190	233,625	234,246	245,975	270,429
July	94,927	74,553	38,497	20,395	17,046	6,204	241,196	247,490	251,622	286,247
August	96,542	68,368	39,070	21,333	16,415	6,501	238,894	257,993	248,229	296,684
September	97,509	67,344	36,171	21,204	16,731	7,135	237,628	266,277	246,094	303,892
October	99,853	66,405	36,092	21,008	16,570	7,271	239,072	269,347	247,199	305,512
November	108,777	70,937	38,266	21,962	18,129	7,496	246,612	265,832	265,567	281,848
December	130,080	85,136	49,902	29,078	24,268	10,241	268,456	258,693	328,705	278,396
1976 —										
January	135,478	85,893	55,050	30,189	25,483	11,846	284,998	236,434	343,939	257,663
February	122,469	71,809	50,141	26,285	22,752	10,283	261,280	228,493	303,739	252,282
March	111,892	66,903	46,234	23,533	20,601	8,847	247,777	239,241	278,010	268,900
April	109,016	65,763	43,064	21,675	20,046	8,439	242,588	245,071	268,003	281,816

(a) Comprises all persons who were still registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (C.E.S.) at the Friday nearest the end of the month, who claimed when registering that they were not employed, and who were seeking full-time employment, i.e. 35 hours or more per week. They include persons referred to employers but whose employment was still unconfirmed, and persons who had recently obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S., all recipients of unemployment benefit are included. (see Table 11). (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) See note (c) to Table 5 and note (d) to Table 9.

TABLE 11. — PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a)
(Source : Department of Social Security)

Month (a)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted (b) r
MALES										
1974 -										
April	7,083	5,916	3,243	1,626	1,568	873	47	37	20,393	20,782
1975 -										
March	34,602	30,991	18,838	9,728	8,327	3,007	174	203	105,870	108,471
April (c)	42,235	30,489	19,578	9,758	7,839	2,084	156	110	112,249	114,175
May	39,423	27,999	18,784	9,559	7,117	2,251	198	96	105,427	114,381
June	39,090	31,033	18,805	9,313	6,802	2,717	136	128	108,024	115,582
July	41,484	35,767	20,127	9,074	7,109	3,138	84	135	116,918	122,756
August	44,179	34,429	21,071	9,063	6,800	3,561	123	173	119,399	132,087
September	51,994	35,001	19,495	9,678	7,369	3,658	178	194	127,567	149,322
October	49,805	34,541	19,027	10,083	8,104	3,651	256	284	125,751	155,072
November	51,793	34,993	19,496	11,519	9,083	3,756	327	382	131,349	152,381
December	63,112	41,167	25,388	14,163	12,275	5,292	472	493	162,362	130,868
1976 -										
January	68,515	42,498	29,959	14,644	12,153	5,716	462	728	174,675	125,805
February	61,539	33,930	26,427	10,773	9,934	4,625	621	728	148,577	126,676
March	57,818	28,291	22,161	8,616	8,515	4,025	656	764	130,846	133,569
April	54,098	25,895	19,199	7,487	8,259	4,064	763	703	120,468	122,371
FEMALES										
1974 -										
April	5,030	3,194	1,792	1,148	900	875	5	12	12,956	11,728
1975 -										
March	16,549	16,090	7,290	5,264	4,374	1,931	10	169	51,677	48,015
April (c)	20,152	15,183	9,094	5,422	4,679	1,580	10	102	56,222	50,847
May	18,875	14,453	9,123	5,113	4,358	1,584	18	69	53,593	52,985
June	18,315	14,591	8,877	4,915	4,209	1,722	29	66	52,724	52,980
July	18,219	15,233	8,750	4,644	4,132	1,649	14	72	52,713	56,249
August	18,306	14,688	8,671	4,498	3,587	1,662	32	84	51,528	60,514
September	19,405	14,632	8,256	4,506	3,668	1,720	25	119	52,331	65,278
October	18,403	14,022	7,940	4,481	4,002	1,718	43	111	50,720	66,309
November	19,093	14,484	8,077	5,038	4,414	1,878	38	157	53,179	62,270
December	24,664	18,468	10,136	6,900	5,680	2,804	38	259	68,949	60,883
1976 -										
January	26,875	20,161	10,621	7,215	5,843	2,800	49	380	73,944	57,493
February	25,010	18,139	9,615	5,803	5,174	2,544	56	424	66,765	56,238
March	23,369	16,352	8,649	4,944	4,812	2,413	79	560	61,178	56,895
April	22,233	15,492	8,116	4,522	4,926	2,361	119	528	58,297	52,698
PERSONS										
1974 -										
April	12,113	9,110	5,035	2,774	2,468	1,748	52	49	33,349	32,764
1975 -										
March	51,151	47,081	26,128	14,992	12,701	4,938	184	372	157,547	157,374
April (c)	62,387	45,672	28,672	15,180	12,518	3,664	166	212	168,471	165,116
May	58,298	42,452	27,907	14,672	11,475	3,835	216	165	159,020	166,567
June	57,405	45,624	27,682	14,228	11,011	4,439	165	194	160,748	168,724
July	59,703	51,000	28,877	13,718	11,241	4,787	98	207	169,631	179,058
August	62,485	49,117	29,742	13,561	10,387	5,223	155	257	170,927	192,646
September	71,399	49,633	27,751	14,184	11,037	5,378	203	313	179,898	214,755
October	68,208	48,563	26,967	14,564	12,106	5,369	299	395	176,471	221,572
November	70,886	49,477	27,573	16,557	13,497	5,634	365	539	184,528	214,515
December	87,776	59,635	35,524	21,063	17,955	8,096	510	752	231,311	191,822
1976 -										
January	95,390	62,659	40,580	21,859	17,996	8,516	511	1,108	248,619	182,738
February	86,549	52,069	36,042	16,576	15,108	7,169	677	1,152	215,342	184,092
March	81,187	44,643	30,810	13,560	13,327	6,438	735	1,324	192,024	191,446
April	76,331	41,387	27,315	12,009	13,185	6,425	882	1,231	178,765	174,996

(a) Number on benefit at Saturday nearest the end of the month. State and Territory classification is based on location of office from which payment of benefit is made. (b) See note (c) to Table 5. (c) Figures for April 1975 and subsequent months are not strictly comparable with those for earlier months due to the introduction of new administrative procedures.

3. - JOB VACANCIES (a)

TABLE 12. - VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH THE COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (a)
(Source : Department of Employment and Industrial Relations)

							Australia	
Month (a)	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Original	Seasonally adjusted (d) r
VACANCIES FOR MALES								
1974 -								
April	19,007	17,338	4,960	4,756	3,773	1,040	50,874	53,091
1975 -								
March	9,522	6,544	2,158	2,077	2,735	831	23,867	22,407
April	7,976	6,160	2,219	2,358	2,405	800	21,918	22,666
May	7,812	5,557	1,839	2,182	1,989	681	20,060	21,018
June	6,079	4,858	1,637	2,248	1,832	654	17,308	19,802
July	6,419	4,713	1,328	2,107	1,635	709	16,911	20,215
August	5,744	4,776	1,694	2,169	1,616	484	16,483	19,549
September	5,725	4,730	1,710	1,991	1,654	655	16,465	18,076
October	5,985	4,195	1,798	1,876	1,709	715	16,278	16,193
November	8,658	4,506	1,716	1,896	1,630	750	19,156	18,652
December	10,014	4,471	1,401	1,913	1,449	891	20,139	19,101
1976 -								
January	10,222	8,036	1,515	1,944	1,538	841	24,096	19,097
February	8,286	6,875	1,297	2,140	1,640	914	21,152	17,771
March	4,737	5,787	1,395	1,724	1,686	802	16,131	15,003
April	4,546	5,447	1,251	1,749	1,366	743	15,102	15,547
VACANCIES FOR FEMALES								
1974 -								
April	12,596	11,323	2,848	2,018	1,198	401	30,384	31,822
1975 -								
March	4,096	3,385	1,045	880	877	343	10,626	10,973
April	3,365	3,273	964	738	741	300	9,381	9,724
May	3,299	2,980	867	729	588	245	8,708	9,146
June	2,905	3,010	847	764	514	169	8,209	9,206
July	3,088	3,261	758	741	581	188	8,617	9,646
August	3,503	3,736	781	829	628	195	9,672	9,818
September	3,372	3,628	844	765	671	262	9,542	9,393
October	3,365	3,083	808	674	568	266	8,764	8,266
November	4,373	2,620	697	817	486	229	9,222	9,199
December	3,868	3,314	606	673	467	187	9,115	8,932
1976 -								
January	4,561	4,098	749	759	689	255	11,111	9,599
February	3,962	3,391	619	873	662	353	9,860	9,111
March	2,055	2,797	551	600	549	293	6,845	7,024
April	2,035	2,552	488	631	511	340	6,557	6,762
TOTAL VACANCIES								
1974 -								
April	31,603	28,661	7,808	6,774	4,971	1,441	81,258	83,903
1975 -								
March	13,618	9,929	3,203	2,957	3,612	1,174	34,493	33,127
April	11,341	9,433	3,183	3,096	3,146	1,100	31,299	31,962
May	11,111	8,537	2,706	2,911	2,577	926	28,768	30,209
June	8,984	7,868	2,484	3,012	2,346	823	25,517	29,002
July	9,507	7,974	2,086	2,848	2,216	897	25,528	29,783
August	9,247	8,512	2,475	2,998	2,244	679	26,155	29,203
September	9,097	8,358	2,554	2,756	2,325	917	26,007	27,396
October	9,350	7,278	2,606	2,550	2,277	981	25,042	24,428
November	13,031	7,126	2,413	2,713	2,116	979	28,378	27,912
December	13,882	7,785	2,007	2,586	1,916	1,078	29,254	28,059
1976 -								
January	14,783	12,134	2,264	2,703	2,227	1,096	35,207	29,140
February	12,248	10,266	1,916	3,013	2,302	1,267	31,012	27,121
March	6,792	8,584	1,946	2,324	2,235	1,095	22,976	21,845
April	6,581	7,999	1,739	2,380	1,877	1,083	21,659	21,997

(a) Vacancies notified to the C.E.S. which were still unfilled at the Friday nearest the end of the month and which employers claimed could be filled if labour were supplied immediately or within the following month. Vacancies for full-time, part-time, permanent, temporary, and seasonal positions are included. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) See note (c) to Table 5.

NOTE. Sample surveys were conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in March 1974 and March 1975 to obtain information on the level and composition of job vacancies. For a number of reasons the estimates obtained from these surveys differed substantially from the numbers of vacancies registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service at those dates. For example, the survey estimates of total vacancies at March 1975 was 55,200. Results of the surveys and reasons why the survey estimates differ from C.E.S. statistics were published in *Job Vacancies, March 1974 and March 1975* (Reference No. 6.49).